

641—101.1(144) Report of autopsy findings.

101.1(1) In cases where an autopsy is to be performed, it shall not be necessary to defer the entry of the cause of death pending a full report of microscopic and toxicological studies.

101.1(2) In any case where the gross findings of an autopsy are inadequate to determine the cause of death, the physician or medical examiner shall enter the cause as “pending” on the certificate and sign the certification. Immediately after the medical data necessary for determining the cause of death have been made known, the physician or medical examiner shall forward the cause of death to the registrar on a supplemental form provided by the state registrar and signed by the physician or medical examiner.

101.1(3) In any case where the autopsy findings significantly change the medical diagnosis of cause of death, a supplemental report of the cause of death shall be made by the physician or medical examiner to the registrar as soon as the findings are available. Such report shall be made a part of the original certificate.